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Dukor et al.

Examiner: Maureen Wallenhorst

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For: METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR
DIAGNOSING PATHOLOGY IN
BIOLOGICAL SAMPLES BY
DETECTION OF INFRARED
SPECTRAL MARKERS

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AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action dated October 15, 2003, please enter the following amendments and consider the following remarks.

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